

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated April 20, 2009, a restriction was promulgated between two inventions. Group I was identified as claims 1-11 drawn to a hinge. Group II was identified as claims 12-22 drawn to a method of molding a hinge.

In response to the Office Action, applicants herewith elect the invention of Group II, claims 12-22, drawn to the method of molding a hinge.

Also, applicants cancel the claims of Group I, claims 1-11, without prejudice to their reintroduction in a divisional application.

In addition, applicants herewith submit a new independent claim 23. No new matter is being added, as the subject matter of claim 23 is fully supported by the specification as filed. It is respectfully submitted that the method recited in claim 23 belongs to the elected invention of Group II, drawn to a method of molding a hinge.

In light of the foregoing, prompt and favorable examination of claims 12-23 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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